No. 084/03

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Ecuador and has the honor to refer to the Air Transport Agreement, with Annexes, signed by representatives of our two Governments at Washington on September 26, 1986 ("the 1986 Agreement"), to the exchange of notes at Quito on October 23 and December 19, 1995, which modified Amnex I of the 1986 Agreement, and to the exchange of notes at Quito on May 20 and July 1, 1999, which extended application of the 1986 Agreement (as modified) until June 30, 2000. The Embassy also refers to its notes no. 069/02 and 085/02, and to the Ministry's note no. 33975/02 DGSL, regarding further extension of application of the 1986 Agreement.

The Government of the United States of America proposes to continue permitting operations in accordance with the terms of the 1986 Agreement, with Annex I, as modified, and Annex II of the 1986

Agreement governing air services between our two countries until June 30, 2004.

Finally, the Embassy proposes that if acceptable to the Government of Ecuador, this note and Your Excellency's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Ecuador, which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry's note in reply.

The Embassy of the United States of America takes this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurance of its highest consideration.



Embassy of the United States of America,

June 25, 2003

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, Bureau of Sovereignty and Boundaries, presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America, and acknowledges receipt of its Note Verbale No. 084/03, which states the following:

[The Spanish translation of U.S. Embassy Note Verbale No. 084/03 agrees in all substantive respects with the original English text.]

Accordingly, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador hereby communicates its acceptance of the proposal by the Embassy of the United States of America. This Note Verbale, and Note Verbale preceding it, shall, therefore, constitute a formal agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and Ecuador.

Embassy of the United States of America, Quito.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, Bureau of Sovereignty and Boundaries, avails itself of this opportunity to express to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Quito, June 30, 2003

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